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State To Start New Year With Crop Contracts, Giv- ing Farmers \$10,794,000

AUBURN, Ala., Dec. 30.—Arm- ed with contracts originated and presented by the Federal Govern- ment for the purpose of further reduction of cotton production, the Alabama extension service and cooperating agencies will start the new year, 1934, with a cotton growers' sign-up campaign which, if it succeeds, will limit the 1934 cotton acreage to 60 per cent of the average for the five years, 1928-1932, inclusive.

And the leaders are sanguine that it will succeed, thereby re- ducing the Alabama area in cot- ton next year to a total of 2,050,- 000 acres. The average for the last five years was 3,416,000 acres, and the proposed reduction of 40 per cent will take from this 1,366,000 acres.

An estimate by Dr. L. N. Dun- can, extension service director, is that this will bring to Alabama farmers approximately \$10,794,000 in rental and benefit payments. The rental will be paid in three in- stallments, the first of which will be made between March 1 and April 30, 1934, the second between August 1 and September 30, 1934, and the third between January 1, 1935, and January 1, 1936.

It will be a new and an advance step in Federal adjustment of cotton production. During the summer of 1933 Alabama farmers plowed up cotton on 318,000 acres in the adjustment program; and the new work will be the second step of extensive reconstruction and readjustment of Southern agriculture.

Behind this lies many years of trials and tribulations of cotton growers; and, concurrently, their business and banker associates be- cause of rebranding and banking in the South are close affiliates of cotton. Farmers have endeavored

to settle these problems for them- selves and by themselves but so many factors were involved that government assistance became nec- essary for success.

And present indications are that cotton will be reduced to the Gov- ernment figure. Farmers, it ap- pears, are all well pleased with the Federal proposal and with results to date; hence they are ready to go forward with the Roosevelt program.

The rate of the rental payment for each acre will be on the basis of 3 1/2 cents a pound for the aver- age yield of lint during the five year period, 1928-1932. The land rented to the Government may be cultivated by the owner provided he produces nothing for sale. The Government contract limited it to soil-improving crops, erosion-pre- venting crops, food crops for con- sumption by the producer on the land, and one for sale.

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'Dr. Bull,' With Will Rogers,
To Be Shown Elba Theatre

You've been waiting for him for some time with impatience, and now he is here—Will Rogers, mas- ter of laughs, will be at the Elba Theatre Sunday and Monday, Jan- uary 7th and 8th. Smash went the laugh record, and along with it every other good record, for a hoarse success. The show is set- tled with all the Rogers Special—"Doctor Bull"—See for yourself! Next Sunday and Monday, January 7 and 8, together with a good comedy, "Stage Hand," and short subjects.

Today and Friday, January 4 and 5, brings a super-splendid picture, "Song of the Eagle," to the Elba Theatre. Don't miss it! Saturday, January 6, Zane Grey's "Life in the Law," with George O'Brien and Greta Nissen is to be shown.

Civilization's veneer stripped away... real flesh and blood people... living where life depends on hair- trigger speed. You can't miss it. Sunday and Monday—"Dr. Bull," "Doctor Bull," "Doctor Bull," Jan- uary 9 and 10—You've heard of it! It was the talk of the country a few weeks ago and is still getting its share of publicity! Mae West in "She Done Him Wrong" with a good cast and plenty of romance. Good comedy.

Hog Sale In Enterprise
Next Tuesday, Jan. 9th

We have just received a letter from Mr. Hugh Sexton, county agent, stating that there will be a hog sale in Enterprise on next Tuesday, January 9th.

Mrs. R. L. Williamson and daughter, Lillian, of Dothan were guests of Mrs. F. H. Murphree on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

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ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1934

Fifth Sunday Meeting Held
At Calvary Baptist Church

The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Baptist Churches of the Coffee County Association held at Calvary last Sunday was well attended, there being representatives from twenty-two churches present.

Immediately following the Sun- day School hour the previously ar- ranged program was entered into, as follows:

Devotional—Rev. H. S. Nichols, "The Need of an Association Evangelist in our Sunday School Work"—W. T. Whitman.

The Average Plan the Hope of the Rural Church—Dr. L. E. Barton, of Montgomery, State Sec- retary.

At eleven o'clock Rev. B. S. Franklin delivered a very able ser- mon that was appropriate for the time and the occasion.

At noon an elaborate feast was enjoyed by all present.

Re-assembling after the dinner hour, Rev. W. V. Wallace spoke on the subject—"The Need of an Association Evangelist in B. Y. P. U. Work."

The final subject for the day was "Can We Afford an Associa- tion Missionary?" This subject was very ably and convincingly spoken to by Rev. P. C. Andrews.

However, this proved to be a pop- ular subject and was discussed by several others.

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Mr. Joe C. Yarbrough, well known attorney of Enterprise, for- mally announced in this issue of The Clipper for Representative in the Legislature from Coffee Coun- ty, subject to the Democratic pri- mary to be held in May.

Mr. Yarbrough has many friends throughout the county who will be interested in his announcement and prodded for him a successful cam- paign. We call attention to his announcement.

Marriage License Business
Is Good During Holidays

The marriage license business was unusually good during the holi- day season, according to Terry Kendrick, chief clerk in the Elba probate office. During the holi- day season, 20 licenses were issued to white couples and one license to colored people, making the total 21.

Mr. D. C. Marley had as his per- sonal during the holidays Mr. Marley, who is connected with the Federal Land Bank of New Or- leans, Mr. and Mrs. Egan Marley and Brand daughter of Brand and Miss Marley, who teaches in Laverne High School.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Mizell of Samson and Mr. Frank Mizell, Jr. of Florida, visited in the home of Mrs. W. P. Boyd during the holidays.

Rev. B. S. Franklin, Judge and Mrs. J. A. Canley, Jeff and Fleet- wood Canley, Rev. Jones and Mr. W. T. Whitman were among those from Elba who attended the fifth Sunday meeting at Calvary Baptist Church last Sunday.

Mr. E. F. Hogmer, traveling man of New York City, was in Elba last Thursday and made a pleas- ant call at The Clipper office. Mr. Hogmer was one of those unfor- tunate who was caught in Elba during the flood of 1929, and spent the time in the A. C. L. depot stop sacks of food that had been piled up on caskets. His car was parked near the depot and remained there until the water had receded. Sev- eral days later he returned and had it towed to a garage in Opp. Mr. Hogmer stated that he was one of the first flood victims to reach Bir- mingham, having gone there to be with relative, and that he was asked to make a talk over the ra- dio in the Magic City. His appeal brought many responses for the benefit of the sufferers in Elba. He states that everything looks much better than it did two years ago on his visit here, and that be- fore many months Elba should be one of the best little cities in this entire section.

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Little Helen Sue Harper
Passes After Short Illness

Elba people were shocked and deeply grieved at the passing of Helen Sue Harper, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Harper, whose death occurred last Wednesday night about seven o'clock at the family home here, after a very short illness.

Although she had been complain- ing for two or three days, it was not thought that her illness was se- rious. About four-thirty Wednes- day afternoon her condition be- came critical and within a short time she passed away.

Helen Sue was the only daugh- ter of Mr. and Mrs. Harper and besides her parents is survived by three brothers, Fred, Jr., John Bu- ton and William Howard, and a number of other devoted relatives.

She was a very bright and attrac- tive child and possessed a sweet and loving nature that had endeared her to a host of friends among children as well as grown-ups.

Many hearts have been made sad at her sudden going away.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. W. Tubb, former pastor, and Rev. B. S. Franklin, pastor of the Elba Meth- odist Church. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery, with Hon- orary pallbearers were the follow- ing little girls, friends and playmates: Marjorie Murphree, Betty Brunson, Rosa Pat Reimer, Claudine Fleming, Ruth Whitman, Catherine Mullins, Joan Clark and Bernice Vaughan.

Among the out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were Mrs. E. E. Hammond, Misses Eva and Martha Hammond, Miss Lallie Harper of Dothan, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McIntyre of Daleville, Mr. and Mrs. Dupree Martin of Enterprise, Mrs. Robert Wells of New Brockton, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wise of New Brockton, V. L. McIntyre and family of Samson, W. E. McIntyre of Enterprise, Harry Ed- wards of Enterprise, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Barnard and son, Billy, of Enterprise.

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Registers Add Many New
Names To Voters' Lists

The board of registrars regis- tered a total of 257 new voters dur- ing their last regular registration and these have now been added to the voters' lists of the county, ac- cording to information at the pro- late office.

The registrars are now purg- ing the lists, and do not doubt quite a num- ber of names will be removed, as many have moved away or died since the last purging.

It was also announced by the board that they will hold regular registrations during this month. They will meet in Enterprise on January 22nd and continue in ses- sion for five days. Those who come to Elba for five days, beginning on January 29th. Then they are entitled to register and have not yet done so should make special note of those dates and meet the registrars at Enterprise or Elba and get their names on the list.

This is election year and everyone should be in position to help choose the officers, both state and county.

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Mayberry Family Enjoys A
Surprise Christmas Dinner

As a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mayberry, members of their family and friends met at their home on Christmas Day. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Mays and Miss Lou Mays, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Smith and chil- dren, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mayberry and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mayberry and children, Mrs. Holland Dewberry and chil- dren, Mrs. Rob Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wilson, Miss Bridie Mayberry and Mr. Lawrence Fiske.

All of the family were present except Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mayber- ry. The children, grand children and great-grand children, other relatives and friends spent the most pleasant day together. At the noon hour a bounteous lunch, prepared by the different families, was en- joyed by the 45 guests present.

Santa Claus came to see the chil- dren and his visit afforded much fun and excitement to everyone.

High School Music
Club Gives Banquet—

The Elba High School Music Club was hostess to a banquet given at the High School building Saturday evening, December 23.

Holly and similar were handed at- tractively in the room. The gay colors of the Christmas decorations were softened by the candle light, which radiated from red candles on the table.

In the center of the table was a Christmas tree, which sparkled with its icicles and Christmas baubles. Miss Annie Laurie Ballard served as toast mistress. A four-course dinner was served by Gladys Whit- man, Marjorie Brunson and Nell English, assisted by Mrs. J. C. Dixon and Mrs. Lee English.

These present were Misses Mar- guerite Franklin, Adelle Dixon, Tetsuo Rhodes, Malton Owen, Co- rinne Borneau, Emma Margaret Cooper, Christine Johnson, Mabel Brunson, Annie Laurie Ballard and Misses. Dick Hayes and Jake Ste- phens of New Brockton, W. M. English, F. L. River, Boyd Mur- phree, Fleetwood Canley, Robert Marsh and Willie Mae Horn.

Carolyn Mays Wins Prize
For Christmas Tree—

Last week the homes of Elba were beautiful with myriad colored Christmas trees. In order to en- courage this custom which brings delight to the hearts of old and young, the Elba Study Club offer- ed a prize to the child who had the most beautiful tree. Carolyn Mays tree won first place as being the most symmetrical and the most beautifully lighted. Hendrix Jewell followed, a close second.

Christmas scenes which showed originality and ingenuity were Katherine Brunson's and Dorothy Murphree's. The prize will be awarded Carolyn Mays at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson, who died at her home in Opp Wednes- day, December 13, after a long ill- ness, was held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Baptist Church in Elba.

Burial was in the Enterprise Cem- etery. Mrs. Hudson, a sister of Mrs. Bina M. Byrd, of Alabama Baptist headquarters here, was a devout member of the Baptist Church in Elba.

Her father, P. L. Massey, was for 55 years an outstanding Baptist minister in South Ala- bama. Like her father, Mr. Hud- son possessed a bright, happy per- sonality that won her many friends.

Mrs. Hudson made her home in Elba for a number of years and had scores of friends who were deeply grieved at her passing. The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Mrs. Eugene Hammond and daughters, Misses Eva and Martha, and Miss Lallie Harper have re- turned to Dothan after spending several days in Elba, having been called on account of the death of Helen Sue Harper.

Judge M. S. Carmichael of his home at New Orleans, La., Sun- day after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Boyd and children of Alexander City visited Mrs. W. P. Boyd during the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Kimney of Columbiana spent several days last week in Elba with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. English.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Mitchell, Sr., Miss Louise Mitchell of Montgom- ery and Misses Mary and Mrs. P. Boyd, left Tuesday for Monte- rally, to resume her school work. She was accompanied as far as Montgomery by her mother, who will visit relatives there for sever- al days.

Walter Whitman, Jr., has re- turned to Birmingham and Miss Doris Whitman has resumed her work in one of the county schools, after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman.

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Oil Found In Peanuts Use- ful In Treatment of Dread Disease, Infantile Paralysis

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.—Discovery of a mineral oil in the peanuts that has aided in the re- covery of infantile paralysis, vic- tims and in the rejuvenation of tis- sues was announced today by Dr. George W. Carver, noted negro scientist and head of the research department of Tuskegee Institute.

"It has been given out that I have found a cure," said Dr. Car- ver. "I have not, but it looks hopeful."

Dr. Carver said the tissue build- ing properties in the oil were ac- cidentally discovered, after he had used it as the base for a beauty lotion.

"I gave it to some ladies to use," he said in discussing his discovery, "and those inclined to be vain brought it back, saying they could not use it because it made them gain weight."

"When they brought this back, I saw that it had great value and I find that it is the greatest find I have ever seen."

Dr. Carver said, after drawing off the emulsion, he made tests and then used it in the treatment of two boys, one 13 and the other 14, who had suffered from infantile paralysis.

Improvement was noted early in the tests, Dr. Carver said, pink re- turned to the skin and the muscles increased in size by actual mea- surements.

After nine applications of the oil which was massaged into the affected limbs, one of the subjects was able to walk with the use of only a cane.

The other boy, less severely af- flicted, had increased use of his legs and joined other boys in play- ing football.

"I have used it on 250 persons, and it has never failed, so far as I can find out," said Dr. Carver. "I am using it as a fat finder, and it is working out its complete pharmaceutical value."

"For certain things, I know it has a definite value, but for others it is remaining to be proven."

The oil is translucent and lim- pid and is absorbed readily by the skin. It is extracted from the peat nut by the cold process.

Dr. Carver demonstrated it, rubbing a few drops onto the arm of a subject, and in a few mo- ments the immediate area of the application glowed rose colored and small veins throughout the arm be- came visible with the larger one standing out boldly.

Reaching for a vial of the oil, which stood in its place in his lab- oratory here where 285 by-prod- ucts of peanuts have been produc- ed by the scientist, Dr. Carver un- corked it and there was a slight his of escaping gas.

"After being corked, when the stopper is removed, gas escapes," said Dr. Carver, frowning the phial. "I don't know what that is, I have to find out about that."

The scientist, who had devoted years to experimenting with peat- nuts in order to give the South a second cash crop with wide dis- tance, gleaning at various stages before him ventured a predic- tion, saying:

"I believe the next great med- ical discovery will be the efficacy of this. There is so much about them that we do not know."</

